Therefore this motion is out of order either because it is vague and does not relate to any definite matter or because it offends against the Rule that such a motion must refer to *one* definite matter only. For these reasons I disallow this motion.

**MR. T. C. KESAVA PILLAI** (*Kalkulam cum Vilavankod*): Sir, I have got another motion.

[He handed over the notice of his motion to the President.]

**PRESIDENT**: Mr. Kesava Pillai has placed a motion in my hands, also praying for an adjournment of the business of the Council for the purpose of discussing a definite matter of urgent public importance, *viz.*, "the situation created by the President and the systematic action taken by the Dewan in appointing and promoting in public service his own caste men, *i.e.*, Brahmins, who are already too much over-represented in service, quite out of all proportion to their number and importance."

"This motion is intended to bring to the notice of the House the growing resentment among the people at the numerous appointments and promotions made by the Dewan, since the last Session of the Council, from among the members of his own caste which is already too much over-represented in the service. While there are, roughly, only 1600 gazetted appointments in the State, over 500 such appointments are now with the Brahmins who have only a population of 45,000 in the State out of 40 and odd lakhs. Instead of trying to bring down that huge number and distribute such appointments among the qualified hands in the unrepresented and the under-represented communities, the Dewan has been systematically appointing Brahmins in the service so that now the already large number is further enhanced. The resentment among the people on this account is great and unless the earliest opportunity is taken by the House to express its unambiguous disapprobation of this tendency, the situation in the country on account of the communal injustice done, will become serious. Hence it is a definite matter of great urgent public importance. The various instances of appointments will be placed before the House when the motion is allowed and taken up for discussion."

This motion says that there is a situation created in the country by certain alleged events. I may say that, as a matter of fact, no such situation has arisen. The motion is thus based on a wrong assumption. And then, this motion too does not refer definitely to any recent occurrence of urgent public importance. It refers vaguely to certain acts without reference to any one definite occurrence. This motion, therefore, does not satisfy the conditions laid down by the Legislative Council Rules. Consequently I have to disallow the motion.

## STATEMENT LAID ON THE TABLE.

**MR. S VENKATARAMANA AIYAR** (*Ag. Financial Secretary to Government*): Sir, under Rule 52 of the Legislative Council Rules, I beg to lay on the table the following Statement of Expenditure authorised by

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[Mr. S. Venkataramana Aiyar.]

the Government under section 16 (9) of the Legislative Council Regulation, II of 1097.

| Demand No. | Amount. | Particulars. |
|---|---|---|
| | Rs. | |
| XVI. Medical and Sanitary—Chemical Examiner, Ayurveda Department including grants to Institutions and Honoraria to Vaidyans and Sanitary Department. | 2,000 | For expenditure in connection with the Prevention of Plague. |
| Do. Do. | 790 | For opening an additional Sanitary Circle at Kuzhithurai from 1-3-1105. |
| Do. Do. | 524 | For Travelling allowance and contigencies of the above Sanitary Circle office. |
| XIX. Scientific and Miscellaneous Departments—other than Co-operative Department. | 650 | For Travelling allowance to the members of the Economic Development Board for 1104 |
| XXI. Miscellaneous. | 2,400 | For expenses in connection with the Banking Enquiry Committee. |

## DEMANDS FOR SUPPLEMENTARY GRANTS.

### DEMAND XIX—SCIENTIFIC AND MISCELLANEOUS DEPARTMENTS.

**RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI** (*Director of Agriculture and Fisheries*): Sir, I move for a grant not exceeding Rs. 3,365 under Demand XIX—Scientific and Miscellaneous Departments.

The House is aware that the next Census is to be taken early in 1931 and that the Census Commissioner for Travancore has been appointed. He wants an office staff to carry on this work; and the grant that I am now asking for is for the pay of this office staff. It is proposed to engage the following staff:

1 Manger on Rs. 125.
4 Clerks, 1 on Rs. 50, 1 on Rs. 40, and 2 on Rs. 30 each.
1 Shorthand Typist on Rs. 50;
1 Duffadar on Rs. 12; and
4 Peons on Rs. 9 each.

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